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Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please consider the application amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 5, after "MHEG" insert --(Multimedia Hypermedia Information Coding Experts Group)---.

Page 1, line 10, change "well proof against" to --better at preventing--.

Page 2, line 1, change "music, and there" to --music. There
also--; and change "system" to --system, called television
shopping,--.

Page 2, line 2, change "user, for example," to --user--.

Page 2, line 4, delete "in the so-called television shopping".

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